

Montgomery Gets Help from Crespi

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West High Seeded 4th

Angelus League champion St. Paul drew the top-seeded berth in the 1968 CIF "AAAA" football play-offs and Sunset League kingpin Westminster was second-seeded in pairings released by the CIF office.

Due to co-championships in three leagues (Moore, Citrus Belt, Del Rey), only one berth remained unfilled by champions or co-champions. Anaheim, Sunset League runner-up and defending "AAAA" champion, received the berth.

Third-seeded was Moore League co-champion El Rancho, with undefeated West High of the Bay League receiving the fourth-seeded berth.

Action in six play-off divisions begins this Friday evening and continues through Dec. 13 for "AAAA" and "AAA" divisions.

A play-off committee met Sunday morning to fill out the draw sheets and compile pairings in the "AAAA" and "Small Schools" divisions.

In the "AA" divisions, where four leagues wound up in co-championships, the committee selected co-champions from the Montview and Suburban Leagues to fill the two blank spots in the draw. The committee considered records of all contending teams and their performance against non-league foes.

In the "AA" play-offs, Norte Vista, the Ivy League runner-up, was selected to fill the position against Orange League champion Sonora in the draw. Valley Christian, Olympic League second-place finisher, and St. Bonaventure, Tri-Valley League runner-up, were selected to fill the two remaining berths in the "A" play-offs.

In the "Small Schools" pairings, Arrowhead League champion Webb was top-seeded, with Desert-Inyo League co-champion Tehachapi drawing the No. 2 spot.

AAAA

Upper Bracket
St. Paul at Redlands, Notre Dame at Santa Barbara, West at Lakewood, Anaheim at West Covina.

Lower Bracket

Compton at Westminster, Montebello at Pasadena, Chaffey at El Rancho, Arroyo at Loyola.

AAA

Upper Bracket
Azusa at Loara, Mayfair at California, Bishop Montgomery at Rollings Hills, Laguna Beach at La Quinta.

Lower Bracket

Neff at St. John Bosco, Beverly Hills at Santa Maria, San Marino at Fullerton, Baldwin Park at Claremont.

AA

Upper Bracket
Hart at San Luis Obispo, Norte Vista at Sonora.

Lower Bracket

Ontario at Barstow, Riverside Poly at El Centro.

A

Upper Bracket
Valley Christian at Coachella, Apple Valley at Banning.

Lower Bracket

St. Bonaventure at Harvard, Santa Ynez at Paso Robles.

Small Schools

Upper Bracket
Webb at Paraclette, Notre Dame (Riverside) at Holtville.

Lower Bracket

Morro Bay at Tehachapi, Boron or Rosamond at Needles.

Letdown Worries USC 'a Little'

"We don't look upon UCLA as an inferior opponent," USC halfback O. J. Simpson said Monday. "When you look over UCLA's defense, you see about the same people looking at you as last year."

Simpson, honored as university division player of the week, said the Trojans have great incentive for their remaining games with UCLA and Notre Dame.

"Our goal is a national championship and we know we have to win those games to get it," he said. "We'll be up Saturday."

Recent comparisons of O. J. with Red Grange, Tommy Harmon and Glenn Davis are a "compliment," said Simpson.

"But once you think you can't be tackled, that's when you get it," he said. "Some of the opponents' defensive players don't believe what they read."

USC coach John McKay said the Trojans "won't be lulled to sleep by UCLA's record (3-6)."

"This is always a tremendously difficult game for us," he said. "I hope we play better than in any previous game."

"Some people are worried about a letdown. I don't think we'll be down and if we lose I won't use that as an excuse."

McKay credited the Trojan defense with winning the Oregon State game.

"If the defense hadn't stopped the Beavers early in the game, we wouldn't have been able to win," he said.

Rams Satisfied with Tie

In the NFL there are no breathers, particularly for the Rams, who must play four title contenders in the next four weeks. Here's the lineup of opponents.

• Next Sunday in the Coliseum, the New York Giants, who are 7-3 and just a game behind Dallas in the Capitol Division.

• Dec. 1 at Minnesota, the current Central Division leader with a 6-4 record.

• Dec. 8 in the Coliseum, the Chicago Bears, whose 5-5 mark is just a game behind the Vikings in the Central.

• Dec. 15 in the Coliseum, the Baltimore Colts whose 9-1 record leads the Rams' 8-1-1 by just a half game in the Coastal chase.

As George Allen put it after Sunday's 20-20 deadlock in San Francisco, "The tie really doesn't hurt us that much. We still have to beat Baltimore."

Tartars Second In Sky

A varsity record of 3 wins, one loss and a tie has given Torrance second place in the Sky League varsity football race.

The Tartars closed out the season with a 16-6 win over winless Leuzinger. Stuart Myers ran two yards in the third quarter to put the game out of range of the Olymps.

Leuzinger led 6-0 in the second quarter on 15 yard run by Tom June, but the Tartars struck back on a 56-yard pass from Quarterback Kim Brooks to newcomer Craig Timms and a 2-yard TD toss to Myers.

Torrance led, 9-6, in the third quarter when Pat Lucarelli, who kicked two conversions, also blocked a punt out of the end zone.

Dave Sanford blocked another punt to set up a 25 yard drive and Stuart's second touchdown.

Timms filled in for Mike McGuire who was injured a couple weeks ago.

Rolling Hills won the championship outright with a 30-6 win over Palos Verdes. Culver City (3-2) was third and Palos Verdes (2-2-1) dropped all the way to fourth place. By beating Rolling Hills, Palos Verdes and Torrance would have tied for the championship.

Morningside had a dismal 2-3 record to finish fifth.

Torrance 7 9 0-16
Leuzinger 0 6 0-6

Torrance TDs—Myers (2nd. run, 2 yd. pass from Brooks); PATs—Lucarelli (2 kicks); Safety—Lucarelli (blocked punt out of end zone).

Leuzinger TD—June (15 yd. run).



RIGHT TACKLE . . . Playing in his second year with the Bishop Montgomery varsity football team is tackle Dan Miller, a senior. His team won the Camino Real League football championship Friday and will meet Rolling Hills in the CIF playoffs Friday at El Camino College. (Press-Herald Photo)

Lakewood High Doesn't Seem 'Afraid of West'

The toughest high school football league in the CIF Southern Section is the Moore League. When schools such as Long Beach Poly, Wilson, and Lakewood get through playing each other during the season, the CIF playoffs look easy.

After El Rancho went to the playoffs for nine straight years, the school was shifted to the Moore League with the promise that as many as three members could qualify for the playoffs when warranted.

The Moore League finished with a 2-way tie and is sending El Rancho (4-1) and Lakewood (4-1) to the play-

offs this year. Because Lakewood lost to El Rancho, 27-7, the Lancers became the No. 2 representative and will meet No. 1 Bay League foe West High Friday night.

Following the flip-of-the-coin, Lakewood won the toss and elected to play the game at Veterans' Stadium in Long Beach.

Lakewood's only other loss in nine outings was 21-7 to No. 1 ranked CIF leader St. Paul.

Word from Lakewood has it that the Lancers' schedule has been so tough this year, there's nothing to be afraid of in the playoffs.

There is no way to com-

pare Lakewood with West High. There is no common opponent with which to make the slightest indication.

West withstood a tremendous Santa Monica defense which stopped most of its running game last Thursday and managed a 13-7 win for the championship.

Lakewood went wild in the second half Friday to crush a good Wilson team, 30-0.

Both teams have good running quarterbacks, but Lakewood's Mike Rae may be a better passer than West's Coy Hall.

Rae completed 16 of 21

passes against Wilson. Catching 13 of 'em was end Rick Gillies.

Rae kicked a 28-yard field goal for the only three points of the first half, but he ran up a total offense of 251 yards in the second half.

Wilson finished with a 3-2 record and was deprived of a spot in the playoffs as a result of the loss.

Bill Todd, Bruce Crawford, Steve Lauriano, Tom Knudson, Cal Clack, Scott Rollins and John Wilkens are plain old brute force when it comes to playing football, the scouting reports reveal.

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Knights Welcome Second CRL Title

Bishop Montgomery won its second Camino Real League championship in three years Friday night. The Knights finished the season with a 6-1 record with a 20-6 home victory over St. Bernard's while Serra was second with a 5-1-1 record after tying Crespi, 14-14.

Coach George Swade's varsity will go into the CIF "AAA" playoffs Friday night against Rolling Hills, winner of the Sky League. The Titans scored 23 points in the first half of the championship Palos Verdes game Friday afternoon on their way to a 30-6 triumph.

The playoff is a home game for Rolling Hills and will be played at El Camino.

Both Bishop Montgomery and Rolling Hills were beaten once in their struggle for the championships, but they both came out on top by the margin of a tie game.

Serra High could have a Bishop for the title, but the 14-14 deadlock gave the Cavaliers one less victory than Montgomery. Likewise, a 6-6 game between Torrance and Palos Verdes left the Tartars with a 3-1-1 record compared with 4-1 for Rolling Hills.

Coach Hal Warfle, whose Torrance Tartars are sole possessors of second place after figuring dead last in the preseason polls, is convinced the Sky League was the toughest conference this season. "How in the world can a team like Morningside finish fifth if this is not a tough league?" said Warfle.

The Camino Real League also had the unusual experience of not knowing from one week to the next which school would take command.

The key game proved to be a 26-19 Bishop Montgomery win over Serra three weeks ago. A week earlier the Knights lost their only game to Mount Carmel, 20-14.

The victory over St. Bernard's list Friday was much the pattern of the season. Montgomery spurred for two second quarter touchdowns to take a 20-0 lead, but before the final whistle the Vikings were within a brink of getting back in the game.

The Knights went 70 yards in the first quarter as Quarterback combined for passes of 35 and 32 yards to Dennis Moreau. The second have put six points on the scoreboard and Dennis Haren made the first of two conversions.

The Knights struck again on the first play of the second quarter when Collins threw to Nick Vargas for a 44-yard touchdown. Scoring started to look easy later in the period when Greg Reams grabbed an interception thrown by St. Bernard's Mike Flores and went 51 yards to score.

Collins also intercepted a Flores pass, but in the second half the Viking passer had 13 completions. Halfway through the fourth quarter Flores fired a 15-yard pass to Mike Branigan for a touchdown.

Ed Hansen was the leading ground gainer with 76 yards in 13 carries. Both Collins and Flores passed for 169 yards. Greg had nine completions and Flores 16 for the game.

Rolling Hills cashed in on three passing bombs to Barry Sullivan for 31, 13 and 58 yards and added a safety for a 23-0 first half lead over P.V. The score went to 30-0 to start the fourth quarter as one of the Titans two quarterbacks—Rene Trevino—scored from the 1-yard line.

Rolling Hills ran up a surprisingly big score without the services of regular quarterback Jack Palmer who was bruised. Also absent was the usual bruising rushing game of Daryl Arenstein, Bruce Sweany and Bob Griffith who were not called upon too much on the soggy field.

St. Bernard's . . . 0 0 0 0-6
Montgomery . . . 7 12 0 0-20
Serra . . . 5 11 0 0-15
Yd. pass from Flores.

Montgomery TDs—Moreau (12 yd. pass from Collins); Vargas (44 yd. pass from Collins); Reams (51 yd. interception); PATs—Haren (2 kicks).

Pass Play Outsmarts Spartans

There wasn't too much to the North-South football game this year. Coach Ed Levy's Saxons, smarting from last year's 32-32 tie, simply dumbfounded their rivals with two explosive passes that ripped the game wide open in the first half, 21-0, and followed with a 27-0 win.

The Spartans could not have been outfoxed more had North presented them with a wooden horse.

No sooner did North get its hands on the football, it took two plays for Quarterback Rick Estrada to hurl a pass to Harlan Peets for a score. He eluded a couple Spartans and went the distance of 68 yards.

The second touchdown followed a recovery of a fumble on the 21 yard line of South. Four plays later Doug Locetro scored on a 1-yard plunge.

About the only time South had any kind of field position was late in the second quarter, giving up the ball to North on its 9 yard line. With 36 seconds to go in the half, the Saxons had the option of running out the clock with a 14-0 lead or going for the "bomb."

Both Greg Taylor and Peets ran the same pass pattern. Greg grabbed the ball on the 35 and merely fled away. That gave North a 21-0 lead.

In the third quarter Dennis Gleland ran back an interception for 65 yards.

Redondo, beaten by South, 27-0, a week earlier, posted its second victory of the campaign, beating Inglewood, 6-0. Mira Costa lost to Hawthorne, 18-12, and Thursday, West beat Santa Monica, 13-7, for the Bay League championship.

South . . . 0 0 0 0-0
North . . . 7 14 0 0-27
North TDs—Peets (68 yd. pass from Estrada); Locetro (1 yd. run); Taylor (91 yd. run); Gleland (65 yd. pass interception); PATs—Capurino (2 kicks).

Varsity Football Bay League

FINAL	W	L	PF	PA
West	7	0	289	50
Santa Monica	5	2	156	63
Hawthorne	5	2	110	51
North	4	2	111	115
Mira Costa	3	4	132	129
Redondo	2	5	25	122
Inglewood	2	4	154	87
South	1	6	52	171

Thursday's Results

West 12, Santa Monica 7.

Hawthorne 18, Mira Costa 12.

Redondo 2, South 0.

Inglewood 6.

Friday's Results

Montgomery 20, St. Bernard 6.

Serra 14, Crespi 11.

St. Bernard 20, Murphy 7.

Monday's Results

St. Monica's 15, Lassen 7.

Pioneer League

FINAL	W	L	PF	PA
Beverly Hills	5	0	156	26
Lawndale	4	1	108	66
El Segundo	3	2	139	87
Lennox	2	3	93	138
Aviation	1	4	32	101
Miraflores	1	4	54	132

Friday's Results

Beverly Hills 27, Aviation 6.

El Segundo 27, Miraflores 0.

Lawndale 31, Lennox 12.

Marine League

FINAL	W	L	PF	PA
Gardena	6	0	186	46
Locke	4	2	73	74
San Pedro	4	2	104	82
Narbonne	3	2	114	154
Carson	2	4	126	106
Banning	2	3	69	157
Jordan	1	5	47	99

Friday's Results

Gardena 34, Jordan 7.

San Pedro 13, Banning 7.

Carson 27, Narbonne 35.

Sky League

FINAL	W	L	PF	PA
Rolling Hills	3	1	136	54
Torrance	3	1	77	47
Culver City	2	0	47	26
Palos Verdes	2	1	67	87
Morningside	2	3	86	114
Leuzinger	0	5	32	91

Friday's Results

Culver City 14, Morningside 12.

Rolling Hills 20, Palos Verdes 6.

Torrance 16, Leuzinger 6.

El Camino Goes 9-0 To Win Football Title

El Camino's football players took the day off Monday to celebrate their first Metropolitan Conference championship since 1954, but they'll be back on the practice field to prepare for Diablo Valley in the state junior college playoffs.

On the strength of their breath-taking 44-41 victory over Long Beach Saturday night, the Warriors earned the right to host Diablo Valley in the first round of the playoffs on Nov. 30.

Diablo Valley finished second in the Golden Gate Conference, but entered the playoffs because Laney of Oakland, the winner, is on probation. In the first game of the season, El Camino defeated Laney, 40-20.

In other Metro games last week, Bakersfield finished second in the conference

standings by shading Santa Monica, 7-6; Cerritos rallied from a 14-0 deficit to topple Pasadena, 31-14; and Valley beat Pierce, 15-14, to run its all-time record against the Brahmas to 4-0.

Aerial fireworks keyed the game between El Camino and Long Beach. Both Warrior QB Dan Heck and Long Beach's Dennis Dummit hurried four touchdown passes. Dave Boyd and Tom Reynolds each scored twice for El Camino and Long Beach's John Merino scored twice to boost his conference-leading point total to 90.

Long Beach made a gutsy attempt to pull out the game after trailing 44-20. The Vikings ran off 21 points and had six minutes to play. When they got the ball again they rammed down to the El

Camino 17, but the Warriors held.

For the season Boyd led the conference in rushing with 992 yards on 217 carries. Boyd was second in scoring with 76 points.

In nine games Heck completed 92 of 161 passes for 1715 yards and 18 touchdowns. He was second behind Dummit, who for the season connected on 148 of 245 passes for 2,141 yards and 19 TDs.

Reynolds hauled in 34 passes for 691 yards and six TDs while Featherstone latched onto 31 aerials for 616 yards and seven TDs. Boyd also brought in 16 passes for 293 yards.

Defensively, Robertson had 10 interceptions.

Outstanding defensive efforts were shown consistently during the season by ends